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To Open On Sunday

The museum of the local Historical Society on Pine Street will be open to the public, admission free, on Sunday, July 28, from 3 to 5 o'clock and all are invited to visit.

Beside the usual permanent collections there will be seen some new acquisitions; the fine early piano from the home of the late Charles C. Stearns, the old Estey organ used and presented to the Catholic Church by Dwight L. Moody some sixty years ago, an old cultivator and a palm leaf hat such as were made by the Sikes girls on Northfield Mountain when Mr. Moody visited them and received his inspiration to found a school for girls.

The June meeting of the society proved interesting because there was a picnic supper and an excursion to Deerfield where Judge Francis Nims Thompson, president of the Pocumtuck Valley Association welcomed all and conducted the group to Memorial Hall, to the early Deerfield Cemetery, to the tavern where Deerfield Academy was founded, to the John Williams house built in 1707 for the minister after the Canadian captivity, the Hitchcock dining hall of Edward Hitchcock, the first president of Amherst College, and other places.

Religious Education

The Conference of Religious Education has just finished a nine-day session on the campus of the School for Girls. This 42-year-old interdenominational gathering is sponsored and managed jointly by the Massachusetts and Connecticut councils of churches. There was a large enrollment and much enthusiasm in the sessions. The teachers and speakers at the conference were outstanding preachers and church workers and study was balanced by time for recreation.

Dean of the conference is Dr. John L. Lobingier, secretary of religious education of the Massachusetts Congregational Churches and associate dean is the Rev. Carl A. Hansen, associate in religious education of the Connecticut Congregational Christian churches. Prof. James P. Berkeley, of Andover-Newton Theological School, is chairman of the board of managers.

Gredler-Propser

In the Unitarian Church following the morning service on Sunday, July 14, Miss Eloise Electa Propser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Saunders Propser, of Summit, N. J., and Charles Rogers Gredler were married in a double ring ceremony by his mother, the Rev. Hazel Rogers Gredler, minister of the church.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a turquoise lace cloth dress of street length, white pleated lace straw hat and corsage of red roses. Mrs. John Propser, of Honoye Falls, N. Y., was matron of honor, wearing a pink rayon street length dress, matching hat and corsage of white roses. Dr. John Propser, brother of the bride, was best man.

The wedding party received in the vestibule of the church after the ceremony. The mother of the bride wore aqua crepe and white carnation corsage and the mother of the bridegroom wore a grey and white sheer dress and red carnation corsage.

The church was decorated with white hydrangea and greens and the vestibule with pink rambler roses.

After a wedding luncheon at the Northfield Hotel the couple left on a wedding trip to Connecticut.

Have Secured \$17,043

On Monday evening, the 22nd, despite the unfavorable weather, a large number of members and friends of the Trinitarian Congregational Church gathered in the vestry for a picnic supper arranged as a special event by Mrs. George Carr, chairman of an efficient committee. The business meeting was held in the church where the Rev. Joseph W. Reeves spoke in appreciation of the work done by the committee. Rev. Stuart Nye Hutchinson, D.D., of Pittsburgh, Pa., spoke to the group. After a few words from George McEvan, general chairman, Frank W. Pearsall, publicity chairman, called for reports from the workers, who submitted a total of \$17,043 already subscribed to the building fund of \$100,000 by August 1951.

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Northfield, Mass.

War Relief Party

Friday evening, August 2, there will be a war relief benefit party on the lawns of "Green Pastures" (below East Northfield Post Office), the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Powell. From 7.30 to 8.30 there will be a food and fair sale. On the food table will be homemade rolls, bread, pies and cookies. A table will contain about 100 items (books, clothes, china, glassware, candle sticks, etc.). There will be a small gift table of objects costing from \$1 up.

From 8.30 to 9.30 there will be a "Pops" concert, community singing and solos. Artists who have already promised to help with this program are Gloria Savcheff, Martha Lopez, David Gredler, and Eleanor Carr, of the class of '46 at the Northfield School for Girls, who had the feminine lead in the production of "The Pirates of Penzance."

Punch will be sold at the end of the evening. The proceeds will be divided between the Famine Fund, Anatolia College in Greece, and the war relief work of the Red Cross.

Reports from the members of the Youth Hostel and its director, Monroe Smith, from Europe, is that the members of the party are busy carrying out their work of rebuilding the hostels and that all is going well. Their effort is appreciated by the young people of the foreign lands in which they are working.

Bradford Coming

The local Republican town committee announces that Northfield will receive a visit from Lieut. Gov. Robert Bradford and his party on Saturday morning, July 27, at the Town Hall at approximately 10 o'clock. He will be welcomed officially by members of the local committee and will be introduced to all our citizens who will call at Town Hall at that time. The Lieutenant Governor will be the candidate for Governor on the Republican ticket this fall at the state election on Tuesday, November 5. Residents of Mount Hermon and Gill as well as those in nearby Erving are invited to attend. It is hoped that Mrs. Bradford will be included in the party.

To Aid Students

By the will of the late Miss Frances Davis, of New York, who died May 2, 1945, and whose estate was recently appraised by the New York State Tax Transfer Department, the student aid fund of Mount Hermon School was left \$1,000 and a like amount to the Northfield School for Girls student aid fund. Miss Davis left an estate of \$32,630. She had been connected with the work of the Young Women's Christian Association for 24 years and at the time of her death was connected with the headquarters staff of the USO. She died while on a field trip at Seattle, Washington.

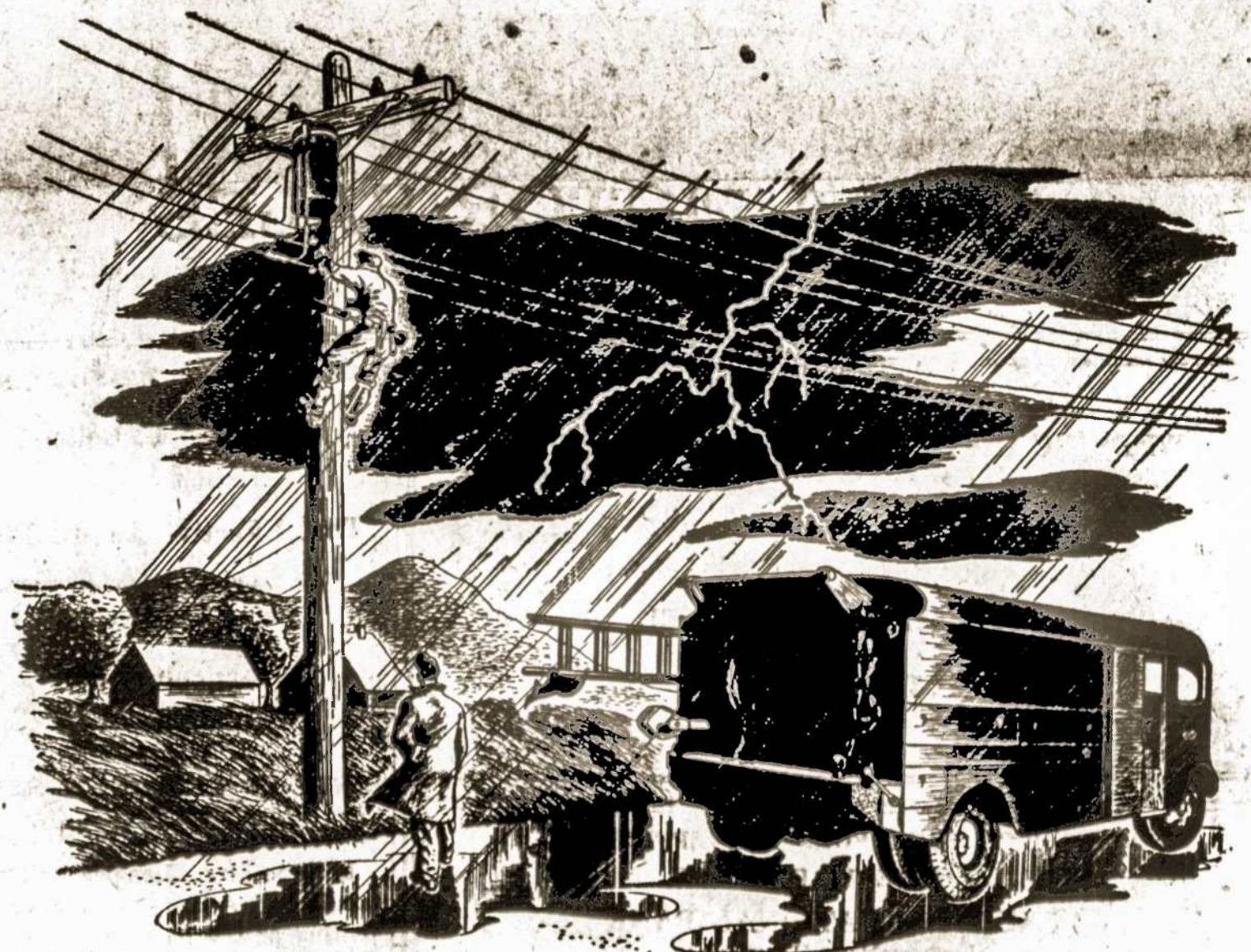
Services In Tent

The Free Methodist Church of this town, of which Rev. Helen Bassett is pastor is holding a series of open public tent meetings on the lawn adjoining Bronson Inn on Main Street, July 22 to August 4.



ALBERTA SECHLER

The speaker each evening at 8 o'clock is Miss Alberta Sechler, evangelist, of Allentown, Pa., and a song service will be conducted a half hour earlier. On Sunday morning there will be a service in Grange Hall at 10.30 followed by Sunday School. Mrs. Bassett extends an invitation to all to attend any of these services.



So Kitty Smith Can Iron Her Pretty Party Dress

Kitty Smith is going to her first formal tonight, and she's counting on using her mother's electric iron. And she will, too.

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Town Topics

Mrs. Della M. Lebar, of South
Newfane, Vt., has been engaged to
act as public health nurse for the
town of Vernon. She will also care
for the same interests of the towns
of Dummerstown, Putney and Guil-
ford.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Pearshall
and family will spend their vacation
period at their camp on the shores of
Lake Champlain.

Miss Edith C. Welch, of New York,
is spending the summer at her cot-
tage on Glen Road on the Ridge.

Miss Martha C. Strippel, of Kew
Gardens, N. Y., is spending the sum-
mer at her cottage, "Fernhill," on
Rustic Ridge and, recently enter-
tained her sister-in-law, Mrs. Albert
E. Strippel, of Ridgefield Park, N. J.;
Mrs. George Glover, of Riverdale,
N. J., also her nephew and wife, Mr.
and Mrs. Edwin W. Strippel, of
Ridgefield Park, N. J.

Paul Williams, of Newton High-
lands, recently visited his mother
here, Mrs. Fred S. Merrifield. With
his family he will leave for Seattle,
Wash., August 1 to teach English in
the high school there for a year as an
exchange instructor. Mrs. Merrifield
also received visits recently from
her son, Arthur Richards, of Chicago,
and from her son, Mervin Richards
and family, of Worcester.

John Mack, retired baggage master
of the East Northfield railroad sta-
tion who has lived at the Vernon
Home for several years is now a resi-
dent at the Bronson Inn.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Calvin Field
and their daughter Pamela are at the
home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Joseph W. Field. The lieutenant is to
enter for a year's study at the post-
graduate school at Annapolis to spe-
cialize in Aerology.

Members of our board of assessors
attended the assessors' meeting of
the four western counties held at
Deerfield last week when State Tax
Commissioner Long conferred on
subjects of Taxation. There were 156
assessors present.

Lieutenant Commander and Mrs.
Knight W. McMahan and family are
occupying the Richardson cottage in
Pine Grove on the Ridge this sum-
mer. Mr. McMahan will teach at
Mount Holyoke College when the
college year opens.

Rev. Edward Fairbank was the
preacher at the morning service of
the Unitarian Church Sunday, July
21, and the minister, the Rev. Hazel
Rogers Gredler returned to her for-
mer pastorate to conduct its service.
The Unitarian Church will be closed
during August.

Dickinson Memorial Library needs
a copy of the National Geographic
Magazine of December, 1921, to com-
plete its file for the library shelves.
Anyone having this copy is invited
to contribute the same and the act
will be much appreciated.

The Reverend and Mrs. Joseph W.
Reeves and family have gone to Ken-
tucky for a three weeks' vacation
visit with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Frary, of High-
land Ave., have gone to their summer
home at Richmond, Va., for the re-
mainder of the summer.

The former "playhouse" on the
lawn of the Homestead occupied by
Mrs. William H. Moody and used in
former years by her children has now
been arranged for occupancy for a
carpenter employed at Mount Her-
mon School. He is a discharged mine
sweeper in the service and his wife
is a former English WREN. They
have a young baby.

Miss Grace Randall, daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Leon Randall, of West
Northfield, who was a teacher at the
schools of Ravena, N. Y. last year,
will teach in Turners Falls when the
school year opens.

Mrs. Cleland D. Cochrane, of Main
Street, who is now summering in
Dexter, Maine, with her family, has
announced the engagement of her
daughter, Jean Claire Cochrane, to
Sergt. Leland R. Lawrence, son of
Mr. and Mrs. Irving J. Lawrence, of
West Northfield.

Warwick will observe its "old home
days" on Friday and Saturday, Au-
gust 16 and 17 and a full program
will be arranged.

Town Topics

A daughter, Nancy Lane, was born
to Mr. and Mrs. Milton Wilde, of
Mount Hermon, at the Franklin
County Hospital on Thursday, July
11, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs.
Richard Walsh, of New Bedford, and
Mr. and Mrs. James W. Wilde, of
Mount Hermon.

Victor D. Sherwood, S2c, has re-
ceived his discharge from navy ser-
vice and has returned to the home of
his grandparents here, Mr. and Mrs.
Walter H. Waite. He entered the
service June 4, 1945, and since served
abroad in Panama Canal and South
American waters.

Twins, a son and daughter, were
born to Mr. and Mrs. William J. Cur-
rier of this town at the Farren
Memorial Hospital Wednesday, July
24.

Announcement has been made of
the engagement of Miss Arlene
Louise Finch, daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. Courtland Finch, of this town,
to Milton Hughes Flocken, son of
Mr. and Mrs. Louis C. Flocken, of
Wilbraham. Miss Finch is a graduate
of the School for Girls and attends
Bates College. Mr. Flocken is a
graduate of Wilbraham Academy and
will enter Wesleyan College this fall.
He was recently discharged with
three years in the Navy.

The annual meeting of women of
the town to consider matters relat-
ing to the care of Alexander Hall
was held Thursday afternoon at the
hall.

Mrs. George M. Ball, of Winchester
Road, has returned to her home after
undergoing an operation at the Far-
ren Hospital. She is rapidly improv-
ing. Her son, Robert, Ball, and her
daughter, from New York, have been
at her home here.

Miss Anne Mattoon, former local
resident, is visiting at the home of
Mr. and Mrs. John V. McNeil.

Doctor and Mrs. F. Wilton Dean
and children have returned from
their summer vacation and the doc-
tor's office is open at the usual hours.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Webster, of
this town, have announced the en-
gagement of their daughter, Eleanor
R., to Norman G. Davis, son of Mr.
and Mrs. Guy Davis, of Dover, N. J.

In the auditorium on Sunday after-
noon, July 14, a splendid program of
sacred music was rendered by mem-
bers of the Salvation Army in at-
tendance at their conferences at
Louise Andrews Camp. Special ap-
preciation was shown to the music
of the band and the sextette. A good-
sized audience attended.

On Sunday, July 14, in the late
evening a motorcycle and car were in
collision on Main Street at the junc-
tion of the South Vernon Road. Both
car and motorcycle were damaged.
Dr. True gave aid to slight injuries
to the cycle driver and Deputy Sheriff
Vorce investigated. During the week
previous other accidents involving
three cars near Morgan's store and
another in front of Avery's store
near the Postoffice, involving a truck
and car, resulted in damaged cars
but no injuries to persons.

Many persons from here attended
the revival of the production of the
Old Homestead at Swanzy last week
end and enjoyed it very much. It
provided not only a revival of old
memories but an evening of good
entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. St. John Harvey, of
Bloomfield, N. J., are spending the
month at their summer home on
Ashuelot Road. Their son, Robert
Harvey, and his family, are now in
Atcheson, Kan.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Makos have
bought the home of their aunt, Miss
Hannah Cotter, on Glenwood Avenue.

The next summer conference to be
held here will be that of the United
Presbyterian Church and will be in
session through August 3, beginning
Saturday, July 27.

The new home of Mr. and Mrs.
Wallace Stange on North Lane is
rapidly nearing completion. Mrs.
Stange was the former Eleanor
Barnes, of West Northfield, and
theirs was a recent marriage.

The daily vacation Bible schools
of both the South Vernon and local
Congregational churches were well
attended and appreciated by many
children and their parents.